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The Reply filed on January 29, 2007 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission or matter: On September 29, 2006 in addition to a Restriction Requirement, a request for an Election of Species was set forth. Applicants elected sodium-binding compositions or an acid resin. This response is drawn to subgenera, not a disclosed, patentably distinct specie. See 37 CFR 1.111.

Since the above-mentioned Reply appears to be bona fide, Applicants are given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the Examiner should be directed to Phyllis G. Spivack whose telephone number is 571-272-0585. The Examiner can normally be reached on 10:30 AM-7 PM.

If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful after one business day, the Examiner's supervisor, Ardin Marschel, can be reached at 571-272-0718. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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